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SUBJ: HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION: SOVIET ARREST OF HUMAN
RIGHTS LEADER

REF: STATE 36309

1. AFTER TWO MEETINGS FEBRUARY 17 AND 18 WITH
WEO GROUP, IN WHICH ASSURANCES OF SPEECHES IN SUPPORT
OF PROPOSED TELEGRAM WERE RECEIVED FROM CANADA, ITALY,
FRG AND THE UK, GROUP DECIDED THAT IN VIEW OF HRC
TIMETABLE UNDER WHICH DISCUSSION OF ITEM 9 ALMOST
ENDED, PROPOSED TELEGRAM SHOULD AT LEAST BE SUBMITTED
TO SECRETARIAT FOR TRANSLATION AND REPRODUCTION BY
LATE AFTERNOON FEBRUARY 18.

2. AT P.M. MEETING FEBRUARY 18 USREP, WHO WAS
LAST LISTED SPEAKER UNDER ITEM 9, ANNOUNCED THAT HE
HAD SUBMITTED PROPOSAL WITH THE INTENT OF HAVING IT
DISCUSSED WHEN DISCUSSION OF ITEM 9 RESUMED ON
FEBRUARY 21. THIS ANNOUNCEMENT LED TO QUERY FROM
USSR REP (ZORIN) AS TO WHAT WOULD BE THE NATURE OF
U.S. PROPOSAL. USREP REPLIED THAT NATURE OF
PROPOSAL WOULD BE EVIDENT AFTER IT WAS CIRCULATED
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ON MONDAY. ZORIN THEN STATED THAT IF THE USREP
WERE INTENDING TO REVERT TO THE MATTER WHICH HE
HAD FIRST RAISED ON FEBRUARY 11, THE COMMISSION
SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT THIS MATTER WOULD BE OUT OF
ORDER SINCE DISCUSSION OF IT WAS PROHIBITED BY
ARTICLE 2(7) OF THE UN CHARTER.

3. PRIOR TO P.M. MEETING FEBRUARY 18 USREP DISCUSSED PROPOSED TELEGRAM WITH LEADING NON-ALIGNED MEMBERS OF HRC, INCLUDING REPRESENTATIVES OF SENEGAL AND EGYPT. THERE IS STRONG INTEREST AMONG NON-ALIGNED IN FINDING PROCEDURE TO AVOID VOTE ON TELEGRAM. DISCUSSIONS TO SEE IF THIS IS DESIRABLE ARE CONTINUING.

4. AFTER P.M. MEETING FEBRUARY 18 HRC CHAIRMAN BOSOVIC -- YUGOSLAVIA) APPROACHED USREP TO REQUEST DELAY IN CIRCULATION OF U.S. PROPOSAL. THE USREP AGREED ON THE FIRM UNDERSTANDING THAT THE U.S. PROPOSAL WOULD BE CIRCULATED FEBRUARY 22. SINCE BY PREVIOUS DECISION OF THE HRC THE TWO MEETINGS ON FEBRUARY 22 ARE TO BE DEVOTED TO A CLOSED DISCUSSION OF SITUATIONS REFERRED UNDER THE 1503 PROCEDURES, CHAIRMAN AND USREP AGREED THAT THE U.S. PROPOSAL WOULD BE TAKEN UP ON FEBRUARY 23.

5. COMMENT: USDEL EXPECTS TO HEAR ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 21 FROM HRC CHAIRMAN AND/OR LEADERS OF NON-ALIGNED GROUP ON POSSIBLE PROCEDURES TO HANDLE THE DISPOSITION OF MATTER OF SOVIET ARRESTS. ANY PROPOSED ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED WITH WEO COLLEAGUES AND WITH DEPARTMENT.

6. FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT OF THE DRAFT TELEGRAM AS SUBMITTED TO UN SECRETARIAT FOR TRANSLATION AND CIRCULATION THIS AFTERNOON. TEXT CONTAINS MINOR CONFIDENTIAL

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CHANGES FROM THAT TRANSMITTED GENEVA 1147:

QTE. THE COMMISSION ON HUMAN RIGHTS, CONVENED AT ITS THIRTY-THIRD SESSION MINDFUL OF ITS DUTY TO PROMOTE AND ENCOURAGE HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD, IS CONCERNED ABOUT RECENT REPORTS OF ARREST AND DETENTION IN THE USSR OF PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN ACTIVE IN THE CAUSE OF PROMOTING HUMAN RIGHTS. DESIRING URGENTLY TO RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THIS MATTER, THE COMMISSION WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE USSR WOULD PROVIDE INFORMATION AT THE EARLIEST OPPORTUNITY ON THE CIRCUMSTANCES SURROUNDING THE REPORTED ARRESTS AND ANY FURTHER PROCEEDINGS. UNQTE.CATTO

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